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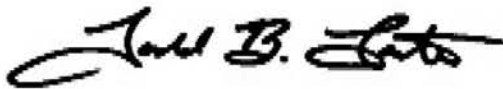
**Re: North Carolina Utilities Commission and North Carolina Rural
Electrification Authority Orders of Concurrence
CC Docket No. 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Attached are Orders of Concurrence (“Orders”) adopted by the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) and the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority (NCREA). The Orders provide each agency's concurrence to the FCC's decision to grant Carolina West Wireless its proposed redefinition in North Carolina.¹

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the attached Orders of Concurrence.

Respectfully submitted,



Todd B. Lantor

Enclosures

¹ See *In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; North Carolina RSA 3 Cellular Telephone Company; Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of North Carolina*, Order, 21 FCC Rcd. 9151, CC Docket No. 96-45, DA 06-1628 (rel. Aug. 14, 2006), at ¶ 27.

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. P-100, SUB 133e

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Designation of Carrier Eligible for)
Universal Service Support — Petition of)
North Carolina RSA 3 Cellular Telephone)
Company, d/b/a Carolina West Wireless)
for Commission Concurrence in)
Redefining Certain Rural Service Areas)
	ORDER OF CONCURRENCE

BY THE COMMISSION: On August 22, 2008, North Carolina RSA 3 Cellular Telephone Company d/b/a Carolina West Wireless (CWW) filed a Petition for Commission Concurrence in Redefining Certain Rural Service Areas in the study areas of Central Telephone Company—North Carolina (Central). This filing was pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) August 14, 2006, *Carolina West Wireless ETC Designation Order* in CC Docket No. 96-45, Para. 27. CWW stated that it was filing a similar Petition as to Surry Telephone Membership Corporation (Surry TMC) with the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority.

The Commission issued an Order Seeking Comments on August 27, 2008, from Central, the Public Staff, and CWW.

Comments

Central, by way of Embarq,¹ filed comments on October 9, 2008, stating that it did not oppose CWW's Petition.

The Public Staff filed reply comments on October 30, 2008, stating that it does not oppose the Petition to redefine the study area and concluding that the Commission should issue an order concurring in the FCC's proposal. CWW did not file reply comments.

WHEREUPON, the Commission reaches the following

CONCLUSIONS

After careful consideration of the filings in this docket, the Commission concludes that good cause exists, in accordance with the procedures established by 47 C.F.R. 54-207(d) of the FCC Rules, for it to concur with the FCC's proposal to redefine the

¹ Central Telephone Company is part of Embarq.

aforementioned rural service areas along wire center boundaries for inclusion in CWW's ETC service area.

The Chief Clerk is therefore directed to send a copy of this Order to Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington DC 20554 and Ms. Jennifer McKee, Acting Division Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 1st day of December, 2008.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NORTH CAROLINA RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AUTHORITY
RALEIGH

Docket No. TMC 6, Sub 2

In the Matter of
Petition by Carolina West Wireless)
for NCREA Concurrence in Redefining) ORDER OF CONCURRENCE
Certain Rural Service Areas)

BY THE AUTHORITY: On August 22, 2008, North Carolina RSA 3 Cellular Telephone Company d/b/a Carolina West Wireless ("Carolina West" or "CWW") petitioned the Authority pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(5), 47 C.F.R. 54.207(d)(2), and the rules and regulations of the Authority to take action, as necessary, to concur with the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC's") proposal to redefine the requested wire centers in the study areas of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation ("Surry TMC"). *See In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; North Carolina RSA 3 Cellular Telephone Company; Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of North Carolina, Order, 21 FCC Rcd. 9151 (2006), CC Docket No. 96-45, DA 06-1628 (rel. August 14, 2006).*

On September 9, 2008, the Authority issued an Order Seeking Comments. The Authority sought comments from Surry TMC in Carolina West Wireless' Petition and reply comments from Carolina West Wireless.

SURRY TMC COMMENTS

On September 29, 2008, the Authority received a letter on Surry Telephone Membership Corporation letterhead which stated in pertinent part: "Surry Telephone Membership Corporation will not oppose the request by Carolina West Wireless, Inc. to redefine its wire centers in the study area of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation."

CONCLUSION

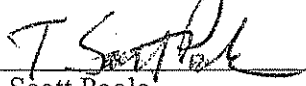
After careful consideration and in accordance with the procedures established by 47 C.F.R. § 54.207(d) of the FCC Rules, the Authority concludes that good cause exists to concur with the FCC's Order dated August 14, 2006 in CC Docket No. 96-45, and to so notify appropriate persons at the FCC.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE AUTHORITY.

This the 17 day of November, 2008.

NORTH CAROLINA
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AUTHORITY



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DOCKET NO. TMC-6, SUB 2
SURRY TMC

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